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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF WYOMING**

STATE OF WYOMING,)
STATE OF MONTANA,)
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, and)
STATE OF TEXAS)
)
Petitioners,)
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v.)
)
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF)
THE INTERIOR, *et al.*)
)
Respondents,)

Case No. 16-cv-00285-SWS

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA’S, STATE OF TEXAS’, STATE OF WYOMING’S,
AND STATE OF MONTANA’S JOINT NOTICE OF RESOLUTION OF RELATED
LITIGATION AND MOTION TO LIFT STAY**

Petitioners and Petitioner-Intervenors the States of North Dakota, Texas, Wyoming and Montana (collectively “State Petitioners”) hereby notify this Court that the pending litigation in the Federal District Court for the Northern District of California challenging the Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation; Rescission or Revision of Certain Requirements: Final Rule, 83 Fed. Reg. 49,184 (“2018 Rule”) has concluded with the California Court vacating the 2018 Rule, and therefore respectfully move that this Court issue and order lifting the stay of these proceedings and requiring the parties to confer and file a proposed expedited briefing schedule in seven (7) days from the date of that order.

CERTIFICATE OF CONFERRAL

State Petitioners conferred with all parties regarding their position on this Notice of Resolution of Related Litigation and Joint Motion to Lift Stay (“Motion to Lift Stay”). As of the filing of this motion: Counsel for the Western Energy Alliance and the Independent Petroleum Association of America stated they are in support of this Motion to Lift Stay; Respondent-Intervenors States of California and New Mexico and Respondent-Intervenors Citizen Groups stated that they take no position on this Motion to Lift Stay; and Counsel for the United States did not provide a response to State Petitioners’ conferral attempts.

MOTION TO LIFT STAY

For the reasons stated in the attached memorandum of law, State Petitioners respectfully move this Court to GRANT State Petitioners’ Motion to Lift Stay of these proceedings and Order that:

1. The Court’s August 23, 2019 stay of these proceedings is lifted; and

2. All parties to this case shall confer on and submit to this Court a proposed expedited merits briefing schedule, including any supplemental briefing, within seven (7) days.

Respectfully submitted this 20th day of July 2020.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on the 20th day of July 2020, a true and correct copy of this pleading and was filed with the Clerk of the Court using CM/ECF system, which will send notification of this filing to the attorneys of record.

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